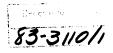
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The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D. C. 20505



MEMORANDUM FOR: National Intelligence Board Principals

FROM : Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT

: Memorandum to Holders, SNIE 11/20-3-82: INF: The

Prospects for West European Deployment and the USSR's

Reactions

l. As you are aware, General Marks has suggested that we reopen consideration of SNIE 11/20-3-82 "INF: The Prospects for West European Deployment and the USSR's Reactions." I agree. I think we ought to take another look at how the Soviets will play INF before and after deployment, particularly in view of stepped-up but still ambiguous Soviet threats regarding US territory, and the high stakes both we and the Soviets have in the INF issue. We should take a hard look at the key assumptions and judgments of the October SNIE in light of new information.

2. Because the policymakers' needs are driven by the timetable of the Geneva talks and deployment schedules, we ought to have the paper completed by the end of July. Attached is a draft concept paper and outline for a memorandum to holders of SNIE 11/20-3-82. Please be prepared to discuss the foregoing at our NFIB meeting on Friday, 17 June.

William J. Casey

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